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Inter-State Trade of Potato
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to formulate any concrete policy to promote the inter-state trade of agricultural produce including potato;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the per annum quantum of potato in tonne procured by Jharkhand from other States;

(d) whether the Government proposes to implement any special scheme to promote the cultivation of potato in various States of the country including, Jharkhand; and

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the financial assistance provided by the Government to various States in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a) & (b): The Government implements Central Sector Scheme namely National Agricultural Market (e-NAM), whose objective inter alia is to develop barrier free National market to promote inter-state trade of agricultural produce including potato.

(c) to (e): As per information provided by Government of Jharkhand, the annual reported quantum of arrival of potato in Jharkhand from other States is approximately 2,78,543 tonne. Presently there is no special scheme to promote the cultivation of potato in the various States of the country including Jharkhand.

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